

1 [Honoring Jim Tate.]

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Resolution honoring Jim Tate for his years of service and his deep compassion for those in need.

WHEREAS, Jim has worked in Community Behavioral Health Services for 24 years and has served for seven years as the Director of the Mobile Support Treatment Team (MOST), providing outreach and services to people suffering from severe mental illness and chronic homelessness; and

WHEREAS, Jim is a caring, compassionate sweetheart of a man who has dedicated his career to helping people in the toughest circumstances; and

WHEREAS, Jim, after decades of doing this difficult work, still connects with clients in a personal and engaging way; and

WHEREAS, Jim sees his clients as people faced with possibilities, rather than hopelessness; and

WHEREAS, Jim’s commitment to client empowerment shapes all his interactions, inspiring people to reach for their best and discover hidden capabilities; and

WHEREAS, Jim has a remarkable gift for knowing when to push for progress and when to slow down to build trust; and

WHEREAS, in the words of a former client, “Jim gives you too much respect to disrespect him;” and

WHEREAS, Jim postponed his retirement for more than three years in order to begin the AB 2034 Project and make it a success; and

1 WHEREAS, Jim was key to San Francisco developing best practices for outreach
2 work, including the creation of a vigorous Consumer Advisory Board which was an integral
3 part of his Project; and

4 WHEREAS, Jim’s staff and program were featured in the outstanding KQED-TV
5 documentary, “Hope on the Streets;” and

6 WHEREAS, Jim has lifted up so many San Franciscans’ in their time of crisis and
7 need; now therefore,

8 BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San
9 Francisco hereby honors Jim Tate for his career of service and his deep commitment to
10 helping those in need.

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